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INSTITUTIONAL ANIMAL CARE AND USE COMMITTEE (IACUC).

A proposal to conduct an activity involving animals, or to make a significant change in an ongoing activity involving animals, must contain a complete description of the proposed use of the animals.

Protocol # 05-20W involves the trapping of muskrats, fox squirrels, weasels, and other unregulated species on an offsite ranch. The protocol, as written, does not adequately describe the trapping/capture procedure. It does not provide for any details on how long the traps are set out for, the frequency of checking the traps to see if animals are inside, the maximum amount of time that an animal may be in the trap before being released back into the wild, & provisions for food & water (if applicable & based upon the period of time that they are confined in the traps).

The protocol does indicate that shade cloth will be used, but does not provide any details for protection during inclement weather (rain), if applicable. Shade cloth will not adequately protect an animal that is confined to a small area from rain. The protocol also does not provide for any security measures to protect the trapped animals from potential predators, and the public, that may be on the property during any times when the researchers are not actually present at the ranch area.

This project has ended. All future protocols shall adequately describe the procedures and proposed use of the regulated mammals.

No correction necessary at this time. Ensure that all future protocols contain a completion description of the proposed use of the animals.

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